

APPLICATION NO.: 09/769,787  
AMDT. DATED: DECEMBER 12, 2003  
REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION OF JULY 17, 2003

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

Please amend the above captioned application as set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.